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of prior application No. 09 570,900

Prior application information: Examiner _____

Group Art Unit: 3746

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1. BASIC FILING FEE

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Fee Code (\$)
101 710 201 355Fee Code (\$)
108 320 208 160Fee Code (\$)
107 490 207 245Fee Code (\$)
108 710 208 355Fee Code (\$)
114 150 214 75

Fee Paid

355

SUBTOTAL (1) (\$ 355)

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

		Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
Total Claims	51	-20**	= 31 X 9 =	279
Independent Claims	6	- 3**	= 3 X 40 =	120
Multiple Dependent				

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Fee Code (\$)
103 18 203 9Fee Description
Claims in excess of 20Fee Code (\$)
102 80 202 40Fee Description
Independent claims in excess of 3Fee Code (\$)
104 270 204 135Fee Description
Multiple dependent claim, if not paidFee Code (\$)
109 80 209 40Fee Description
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105 130	205 65	65			Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
127 50	227 25	25			Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
139 130	139 130				Non-English specification	
147 2,520	147 2,520				For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
112 920*	112 920*				Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
113 1,840*	113 1,840*				Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
115 110	215 55				Extension for reply within first month	
116 390	216 195				Extension for reply within second month	
117 890	217 445				Extension for reply within third month	
118 1,390	218 695				Extension for reply within fourth month	
128 1,890	228 945				Extension for reply within fifth month	
119 310	219 155				Notice of Appeal	
120 310	220 155				Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
121 270	221 135				Request for oral hearing	
138 1,510	138 1,510				Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
140 110	240 55				Petition to revive - unavoidable	
141 1,240	241 620				Petition to revive - unintentional	
142 1,240	242 620				Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
143 440	243 220				Design issue fee	
144 600	244 300				Plant issue fee	
122 130	122 130				Petitions to the Commissioner	
123 50	123 50				Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
126 180	126 180				Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
581 40	581 40				Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
146 710	246 355				Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	
149 710	249 355				For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))	
179 710	279 355				Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
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